

Mississippi Baptists Challenged To Go "Over The Top" In Meeting 1955-56 Cooperative Objective

Jubilee Advance Slogan Is Chosen

WASHINGTON—(BP)—Baptist groups joining together for a "Baptist Jubilee Advance: 1959-1964" have adopted as their

New Association Formed In Adams

Messengers from eleven of the Baptist Churches of Adams County met Monday night, Sept. 24, at the Morgantown Church and organized the Adams County Baptist Association.

Although there have been Baptist Churches in Adams County since 1800, this is the first time that they have organized a separate association.

The organizational meeting consisted of the business of adopting a constitution and electing the necessary officers and appointing of standing committees.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Ralph Marshall, Jr., pastor of Springfield; Vice-moderator, James W. Crumpton, pastor of West Side; Clerk, E. O. Smith, pastor of Washington; State Board member, (nominated), Allen C. Johnson, pastor of Immanuel; Treasurer, Lon Bookers, Jr., deacon of Washington; Chorister, Ray Megginson, pastor of Fellowship; Pianist, Miss Vivian Langley, West Side; Brotherhood president, Allen C. Johnson, pastor of Immanuel; Woman's Missionary Union President, Mrs. C. W. Pullen, Washington; Training Union Director, John Hill, pastor of Cloverdale; Sunday School Superintendent, Horace Carpenter, pastor of Cranfield; Music Emphasis, Herman May, Minister of Music of Immanuel.

The eleven churches cooperating in the Association are: Immanuel, West Side, Fellowship, Calvary, Cloverdale, Friendship, Riverside, Morgantown, Washington, Cranfield and Springfield. Cliff Temple Church which was organized this year in the Clifford-Spokane subdivision on the Kingston Road presented a request for membership in the association.

The Adams County Churches until the above action was taken, were part of the Union Association, composed of Adams, Jefferson, and Claiborne counties.

Graham Calls For Churches Speak Out On Race Issue

Evangelist Billy Graham said here that "churches have been too silent" on the question of racial integration.

"This is the time for the churches to speak out," he said, "to call for love among neighbors of all races."

The evangelist spoke at a press conference held in connection with the first National Convention of Christian Men. Later he addressed the convention, sponsored by the United Church Men, the laymen's department of the National Council of Churches.

Mr. Graham said that no matter how many laws or rulings were made against segregation they would be ineffective without moral support from the people.

"The laws and legislation designed to help solve the problem of race tension are vitally needed," he said. "But they can only be implemented by moral force. The churches can create this essential climate of moral force and good will."

slogan "Every Baptist witness for Christ."

The slogan was among plans approved at the meeting of representatives of the seven Baptist groups here recently.

The Baptist Jubilee Advance climaxes in 1964, the year of third jubilee, or 150th anniversary, of organized Baptist work on a national scale in North America.

The group set up a budget to be provided for by the participants. The Southern Baptist Convention, largest Baptist group, will provide \$1000. The others are to give proportionate amounts based on their memberships. The budget is expected to

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Finance "Pilot" Campaign Starts Sunday In State

Last minute plans are being made for the pilot campaign of the rapidly-developing Church Finance Program of Southern Baptists to be held in the state beginning Sunday, October 7 and continuing through November 4.

Nine Hinds County churches have been chosen as the "proving ground" for the program, which is convention-wide in scope.

Preparation will begin this Sunday with the campaign proper to be held October 28-November 4 with four outstanding leaders from Nashville here to direct the program in four of the churches. State leaders will direct the other

A clinic for all pastors in the state as well as other interested workers will be held October 22-26 at Calvary Church in Jackson. Nine-thirty a. m. till noon will be the hours.

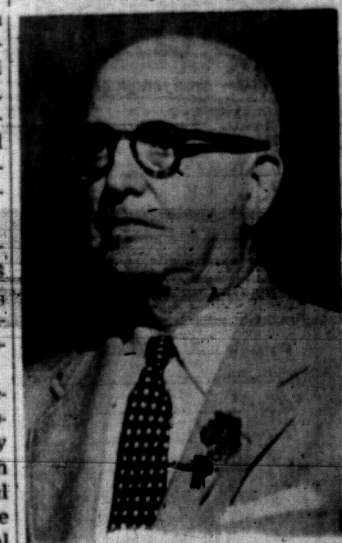
Loyalty dinners will be held in all participating churches the week of October 22. Pledge Day will be Sunday, October 28 while Victory Day will be observed Sunday, November 4.

Participating churches will be Northside, First, Parkway, Crestwood, Ridgecrest, Daniel Memorial, Broadmoor and Southside in Jackson and Salem, an open country church in Hinds County.

Sponsoring the entire program is the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, Nashville; the State Convention and the Hinds County Association.

Caperton Establishes Loan Fund

J. W. Caperton, Baptist layman of Tunica, has established the J. W. Caperton Foundation,



J. W. Caperton

From the
CHURCH
to the
WORLD



W. C. T. U. Head Charges Government Has Ceased To Issue Statistics On Sale Alcoholic Beverages

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS)—The president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union charged here that the government has quit publishing statistics on the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages for fear of public reaction.

Mrs. Glenn G. Hays of Evanston, Ill., told the union's executive committee that alcoholism

Plans Readied For Baptist Building In Louisiana

ALEXANDRIA, La. (BP)—The executive board of Louisiana Baptist Convention has approved plans for new construction and a record 1957 budget for state denominational work.

The record budget figure of \$1,900,000 is \$170,000 greater than the 1956 one. It is subject to approval by messengers to the annual state convention meeting later on.

The board approved the buying of about four acres in Alexandria for a new Baptist building. The building would cost about \$500,000, according to estimates made. Some of the land needed is already owned and must be secured.

Late BULLETINS From Around The World

(By Religious News Service)

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Establishment of a boarding house for Roman Catholic working girls of Greater Little Rock is the objective undertaken by two lay women here.

BOZEMAN, Mont.—Church membership in rural areas of Montana increased an average of 40 per cent in the past ten years despite a general decrease in rural community population, a Montana State College sociologist reported here.

WINDSOR, Ont.—Rev. Alan Walker, Methodist evangelist from Australia, told the General Council of the United Church of Canada here that the Christian Church is using a "single-furrow plow mentality" in a tractor age.

TOPEKA, Kan.—Governor Fred Hall has appointed a Roman Catholic nun to the Kansas State Board of Nursing Education and Registration. She is Sister M. Miriam of Great Bend, Kansas.

BRYAN, O.—An interdenominational worship service opened the Williams County Fair here. Sponsored by the Williams County Ministerial Association, it attracted the largest crowd of any event at the fair.

Hurricane-Fearful Folk Get Counsel

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—New Orleans residents fearful of approaching hurricane "Flossie" received spiritual counsel through a service of the First Baptist Church.

Pastor J. D. Grey's Sunday night service was broadcast over a local radio station. "Flossie" was aimed at New Orleans at the time. Grey invited listeners with fears of the storm to call a special telephone number.

Three men at the church answered calls for over an hour. Those who gave their names and addresses received tracts from the church through the mails.

A STORY OF TRUE DEDICATION

Bob McNamee, Gulf Coast Pastor And Missionary Enthusiast, Passes Away

Funeral services for Rev. Robert L. McNamee, 35, were held Thursday of last week at the Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport. He died of a heart attack at his home in Bay St. Louis Tuesday night.

He was pastor of the Shifalo Memorial Church at Kiln and was a student at the New Orleans Seminary.

The Rev. Mr. McNamee was a native of Gulfport and a former resident of Jackson. He attended Forest Hill School in Jackson, French Camp Academy and was a graduate of Mississippi College.

Survivors include his wife, the former Lois Meeks of Gulfport; three sons, Bobby, Ronald and Donald; a sister, Mrs. Ed Berry of Jackson; three brothers, Milton McNamee of Jackson, Charles McNamee of Memphis and Billy McNamee of Belmont.

\$1,489,846.12 Given Through Sept. 26
All Funds Given Over Goal Go To State, Home, Foreign Missions

American Baptists Launch Laymen's Evangelism Plans

NEEDHAM, Mass. (RNS)—Some 300 Baptist churches in Massachusetts launched a two-year evangelism training program for laymen.

Five regional gatherings of laymen and clergy were held in various parts of the state to get the program under way.

At a meeting here, Dr. Edwin H. Tuller of Boston, executive secretary of the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, said the state campaign would serve as a "pilot project" for the four-year nationwide program that the American Baptist Convention will inaugurate in 1957 to strengthen and develop Baptist lay leadership.

"The spiritual energy engendered by our workshops and conferences will not only serve as the beginning throughout Massachusetts for this great national crusade," he said, "but result also in a spiritual deepening both in our own lives and in our service to our fellow men."

"A trained, disciplined lay leadership in all church activities is crucial and indispensable to the development of an effective Christian strategy for our day."

Other speakers at the meeting included Dr. John W. Thomas of New York, national director of the American Baptist Convention's lay development program; the Rev. Adam Z. Arnold of Roslindale, Mass.; Mrs. John D. Walden of Groton; the Rev. Elizabeth J. Miller of Cambridge; the Rev. Charles N. Forsberg of Westwood; and H. Leonard Hutchinson of Arlington, state chairman of the Baptist lay development program. Dr. Thomas told the participants that "commitment to Christ requires austere standards of performance in the acceptance of responsibility" in church work.

"In these days of crisis," he said, "the church must reach out into every area of life so a person cannot be a Christian without becoming involved in his church relationships and responsibilities."

"These would be in the community, the denomination, the ecumenical church, and believers in Christ around the world."

Mississippi Baptist Churches have been challenged to go "over the top" in meeting the Cooperative Program objective for this Convention year, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

A total of \$1,489,846.12 had been given through Sept. 26 with \$185,153.88 left to be given by Oct. 31 to reach our goal, he declared.

"We have gone over our objective every year now for several years," he declared as he appealed to every church to do its very best that we may go over the top.

All funds given over the objective will go directly to missions—state, home, and foreign—and those interested in these causes will have a wonderful opportunity as we go over our goal.

The funds received over the goal will be divided 50% to state missions, 37½% to foreign missions and 12½% to home missions.

All three causes present pressing needs.

According to policy adopted last year all Cooperative Program funds over the goal would be divided 50% to state missions and 50% to Southern Baptist Convention courses.

SBC Advance Since Southern Baptist Convention causes will be in the advance program of 75% to foreign missions and 25% to home missions that means that all "over the goal" funds would in effect be divided 50% to state missions 37½% to foreign missions and 12% to home missions.

Dr. Quarles urged all churches that have any accumulated Cooperative Program money on hand to send it in.

All churches that have not made a contribution this year were urged to take an offering and send it in also.

All funds must reach the office of the executive secretary-treasurer in Jackson by Wednesday morning, Oct. 31 in order to be counted in this year's budget.

North Carolina Churches Launch Prohibition Move

SHELBY N. C. (RNS)—Churches in North Carolina have launched a campaign to obtain one million signatures on petitions asking the legislature to call a statewide referendum on prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

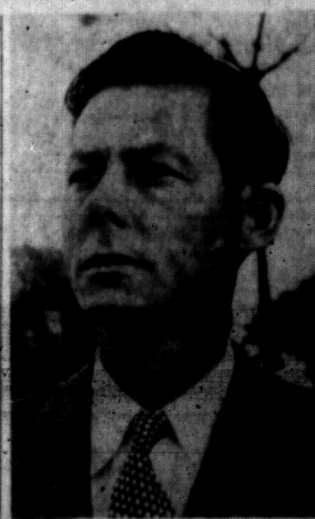
R. M. Hauss, executive director of the Allied Church League, which is sponsoring the drive, said "we are setting Dec. 1 as the deadline for petitions to be in so they may be processed in time for the opening" of the legislature in January.

He said churches also are using commitment cards pledging abstinence from alcoholic beverages.

First, Dallas Has Budget Of \$705,000

DALLAS, Tex. (RNS)—The 10,000-member First Baptist church here adopted a 1957 budget of \$705,000 at its annual meeting and allocated more than half of this amount—\$354,600—to mission work.

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor, said the latter includes expenditures for home, state and foreign missions as well as for various special offerings and contributions to Baylor Hospital, the American Bible Society and the Southern Baptist Convention's Relief and Annuity Board.



Robert L. McNamee

Calif. interment was held in Evergreen cemetery in Gulfport.

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QUARLES' QUOTES

From The Office Of The
Executive Secretary-Treasurer



HORNER: Charles W. Horner, has completed his work as, state student secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and will commence a similar work with South Carolina Baptists soon. We shall certainly miss him in Mississippi. He is a man of conviction, integrity and consecration.

To our friend, Dr. Charles Sims, executive secretary of South Carolina Baptists, and to the student leadership of that great state, we commend our friend of these several years.

GREAT LAKES: We were driven by auto and flown by plane over the Great Lakes Association area. Dr. Noel Taylor, executive secretary, Dr. B. J. Murrie, editor of the Illinois Baptist, Harold E. Cameron, pioneer missionary of that area, Dr. W. C. Fields, and I took in the whole area in a two-day period. It was hard work but enjoyable.

We were shown a number of Southern Baptist churches, most of them small churches, some meeting in very inadequate buildings. We detected, however, a dynamic spirit that will override the hardships and difficulties. From the air, we were shown many communities, some of tremendous size where there was no Baptist work at all or some very weak work.

Speaking of the associational meeting in my introduction I said, "This surely is a long ways from Mississippi." A man in the choir behind me said, "Amen, you can say that again." He said it with such fervor that I said, "Where are you from?" He replied, "New Albany, Mississippi."

Someone in the congregation said, "Have the Mississippians to stand, I did. I found they were from Northeast Mississippi in the main. I learned from that large group that there are

many Mississippians and Alabamians in that area. One pastor told me that 90 per cent of his congregation are former Mississippians.

I am convinced that this area bids fair to become one of the strongest of the Southern Baptist Convention territories. Now it is a tremendous missionary area. Chicago, I am told, has more Jews than the city of Jerusalem; more Roman Catholics than the city of Rome and more Negroes than the state of Mississippi.

BAPTISTS: In Paris a little over a year ago we were riding in a sight-seeing bus. A handsome young Parisian was pointing out the points of interest. Seeing some poster-pictures of Billy Graham, who conducted a brief campaign in Paris, we were discussing him and Baptists in general. The Parisian conductor said, "Baptists? Baptists? Who are the Baptists?" He didn't know. How would you describe the people called Baptists?

McKAY: Another Mississippian has been chosen for a great task. Dr. Charles W. McKay, worker of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville and formerly pastor of Rascagoula First and Jackson Van Winkle churches, has accepted the call to become executive secretary-treasurer of the Arizona Baptist Convention. He succeeds Dr. Willis J. Ray who is now the Colorado secretary.

Charles McKay is a pioneer spirit. He gets a job done in fine order. He is a strong preacher and an inspiring character. The Arizona work will make great strides of progress under his leadership. A great man and a great opportunity have met.

GAMBRELL: That great Mississippian (and Texan) of another generation is quoted as follows: "I don't mind being swallowed by the whales but I dislike being nibbled to death by minnows."

A Story Of - - -

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Completely Dedicated

At the time of his death it was pointed out that his life had been one of the most completely dedicated in Mississippi in many years in the area of grass roots missions.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive-secretary, said his was "one of the best works in raw missions done in Mississippi in recent years that I know about."

Dr. Joe T. Odle, former pastor of the First Church, Gulfport, and now associate executive secretary, who also had occasion to observe him at work said:

"He was one of the finest per-

sonal soul-winners it has ever been my privilege to know. He followed the example of Paul in going from house to house, winning people to the Lord."

At the request of the Baptist Record, Rev. O. B. Anderson, Gulf Coast Associational Superintendent of Missions, has provided us with a running account of the inspiring story of Bob McNamee on the Gulf Coast. Following is that account in the words of the Rev. Mr. Anderson, written this past Saturday night:

In the early spring of 1952, I received a letter from R. L. McNamee saying that he and another Mississippi College student wanted to give their sum-

Baptist Heads Hospital Administrators

Frank S. Groner, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, has been named president-elect of the American College of Hospital Administrators, the highest elective office in the field. He will take over the duties of his new office at the annual meeting next September.

Dr. Groner has been administrator of Baptist Memorial since 1946. Under his leadership the hospital has undertaken the largest expansion program in its history, including erection of a 13-story addition which opened early this year. A current program of expansion is scheduled to be completed over a six-year period, gradually increasing the capacity of the hospital to 1,000 beds.

Dr. Groner has received many previous honors in his profession. He served as regent of the ACHA for two terms and for the past year was chairman of the Central Committee on Institutions. He has been active, also, in the work of the American Hospital Association and for three years has headed the Council on Hospital Planning and Plant Operation.

He is the immediate past president of the Tennessee Hospital Association and a former president of the Southwide Baptist Hospital Association; the Southeastern Hospital Conference; New Orleans Hospital Council; and Louisiana Hospital Association.

He is active in church and civic affairs, also. He is a deacon at Union Avenue Baptist Church and for 10 years has taught a young men's Sunday School class there. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Memphis Blue Cross Plan and is a former director of the American Cancer Society, the American Red Cross and the Community Chest in Memphis.

Dr. Groner is a graduate of the College of Marshall and Baylor University. He holds honor-



Frank S. Groner

ary degrees from East Texas Baptist College and Union University.

An editorial this week in the MEMPHIS PRESS SCIMITAR hailed his selection as "... a tribute to himself and to Memphis as well. Dr. Groner has played an important part in the growth of the Memphis Medical Center. ACHA can confidently expect to benefit from his able leadership and devoted service next year, just as Baptist Hospital and Memphis have since 1946."

Purpose of the ACHA is to increase the professional status of hospital administration and to assist in helping hospitals to find trained administrators. It encourages university courses in administration and sponsors and conducts institutes and seminars throughout the year. Candidates qualify for membership by successful experience and service in the hospital field and by meeting high professional requirements of the College.

The Baptist Hospital at Memphis is owned jointly by the state Baptist conventions of Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas.

Sunday evening services. No other services were held.

Tremendous Results

In these two short years, the membership of the church has grown to 109, with approximately 75 of the additions coming for baptism. Many of these converts were alcoholics, hardened sinners, living in one of the toughest communities in the state. There is a strong Sunday School, Training Union, and Brotherhood. Men old enough to be grandfathers have gone to other churches and to associational rallies to testify to the saving power of their Lord, when less than two years ago, they had never had a spiritual experience.

Almost everyone who mentions Brother Bob speaks of the great faith that he had in God. At his funeral, Rev. Jimmy Yarbrough, of McDowell Road Baptist Church in Jackson was speaking. He had led Brother Bob to Christ, had ordained him as deacon (or rather, his church did), had led the church to license him to preach, then ordained him. One day he decided to go to see his son in the ministry. He went to Carey College in Hattiesburg, only to find that the young preacher had just left for Lakeshore.

Mrs. McNamee told Brother Yarbrough that he might catch up with him. He did — near Wiggins. They stopped for coffee, and Brother Yarbrough pressed a gun into his hand. Brother Bob said, "Bro. Jimmy, the Lord must have sent you. I do not have enough gasoline to get to Lakeshore, and not a dime of money. The Lord always does what I ask him to do." This phrase is typical of his life since he became a Christian.

Left No Insurance

He lived sacrificially, and died prematurely. He left not a dime in insurance, but he left his wife and three boys a heritage that money could not buy: Memories of a father who burned out his life in less than five years in the Ministry. His passionate search for lost souls showed how close he was to the Christ who demonstrated his concern on Calvary. Many who admitted him are trying to help provide for the family, but we will all forget too soon, and will do little. Perhaps the providential God, in whom Brother Bob trusted so completely, will somehow continue to answer his prayers.

I heard Brother Elmer Smith say that he had lost the best preacher friend that he would ever have.

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and television.

She said the Office of Business Economics, Department of Commerce, "admits, but only if asked for the information," that Americans spent \$10,090,000,000 for drink last year, the highest amount in history.

"Similarly 'buried' statistics of the same agency," Mrs. Hays added, "show alcoholic beverage consumption last year to have totaled 200 million gallons of hard liquor, 144 million gallons of wine and 85 million barrels of beer."

"This is more hard liquor than for any year except 1946 since repeal, more wine than for any previous year, and more beer than for any year except 1952," she said.

Mrs. Hays said federal agencies as well as both houses of Congress have failed to support bills to outlaw interstate alcoholic beverage advertising, while the government received more than \$3,500,000,000 in taxes from sale of the beverages.

"The 4,500,000 alcoholics currently reported in the United States," she said, "are a 30 per cent increase in number in the last eight years, a tragic price to pay for a challengeable personal liberty."

The executive committee met prior to the union's 82nd annual convention here.

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) — Arrests for drunkenness and drunken driving have increased to nearly half the arrests made by police in the United States, an official of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union said here.

Mrs. Fred J. Tooez of Portland, Ore., national recording secretary, said currently published uniform crime reports show that 47 per cent of arrests in 1,447 cities last year were for one of the two charges.

She spoke at a meeting preceding the union's 82nd annual convention.

"Our problem of public drunkenness has become a national one, unequaled in frequency by any other public offense," Mrs. Tooez said.

"Of the 1,861,764 arrests in 25 listed charges (not including routine traffic tickets), in these cities, 772,943 were for drunkenness (41.6 per cent) and 96,165 or 5.2 per cent were for driving while intoxicated."

The WCTU official said arrests for drunkenness have "about doubled" since 1934, the first year of repeal, and that drunken driving arrests have more than quadrupled.

"Most startling development," Mrs. Tooez said, "is that a greater and growing number of boys and girls under 15 are being picked up and booked, both for driving motor cars while drunk and for drunkenness on the street."

My Reasonable Service

Rev. John Green of Long Beach wrote in his "pastor's page" of this week's bulletin: "Rev. R. L. 'Bob' McNamee, probably the outstanding sample of missionary zeal and soul-winning fervor on our Gulf Coast, passed away Tuesday evening of a heart attack. Perhaps no person outside of our Associational Missionary has affected the missionary program of Gulf Coast Baptists more than Bob McNamee. He was the instrument God used in resurrecting Lakeshore from the dead, in beginning Waveland Mission, and putting heart and blood into a lifeless Kiln situation. Kiln hadn't reported a baptism in three years until Bob went there. Within six months they had 50 to report. Rev. Robert L. McNamee's true worth will never be read completely in a statistic. His great soul of faith and courage flavored the witness of every Christian who knew him. God's Kingdom work here has lost a Master Craftsman. Our deepest condolences to his family."

Brother Bob revealed his philosophy of life when talking to the Federation of Church Women in Long Beach. He mentioned that some people hear of his experiences, and how far he would go to try to win someone and they will say something complimentary. He would answer, "No, that is just my reasonable service." He continued to try to impress upon the women present that the best they could do for the Saviour was just their reasonable service.

He accomplished more in a ministry of less than five years than most of us can do in a long lifetime. I am thankful that I knew him.

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The trustees will adopt rules and regulations regarding loans and in the selection of students will work closely with the State Convention Board of Ministerial Education and the faculties of the various colleges where the students may be enrolled.

Active Deacon

Mr. Caperton was reared in Oktibbeha county and has resided in Tunica since 1920. He spent four years in Friars Point and Clarksdale prior to moving to Tunica. He has engaged in extensive farming operations, farm implement business, and general insurance business. He is presently on the Board of Deacons and chairman of Finance Committee for the last building program of his home church.

He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis. He is a prominent business leader of the Mississippi Delta and active in civic and business affairs.

Mr. Caperton has been happily married to Ragenia Lee for 42 years, has two children, A. C. Caperton of Tunica and Mrs. W. E. (Elise) White.

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be about \$2500, to be spent mostly on literature.

Possible sites for the meeting of the third jubilee fellowship are Miami, New York City, and Atlantic City, N. J. This meeting would probably be held in May, 1964. All participating Baptist bodies would send representatives.

C. C. Warren, president of the Southern Convention and chairman of the joint committee planning the Jubilee Advance, will name three committees — a steering committee, publicity committee, and third jubilee committee.

A sub-committee of the steering committee will be on evangelism. It will have as its members the secretaries of evangelism of all the represented Baptist groups.

Purpose Cited

Purpose of the Advance is three-fold: 1. to work cooperatively; 2. to witness effectively, and 3. to celebrate worthily.

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World Missions Year Begins This Week

The Southern Baptist World Missions Year begins this week. This is a year when Southern Baptists will seek to point all churches and members to a concern for the whole world and participation in God's world program. The period of observance actually runs for fifteen months, beginning now and continuing through the calendar year of 1957.

The plans for World Missions Year were adopted by Southern Baptists in 1954 and for two years we have been getting ready. Now the year is here and promises to bring glorious blessings to our work.

World Missions Year emphasizes being with World Missions Week which each church is urged to observe on or about the week of October 28th-November 4th. A similar week is to be observed in the fall of 1957.

The purpose of the 1957 emphasis is to focus our attention on the needs in God's world program right now. In every Convention, in every program, in every periodical, and in every possible way attention will be given to World Missions. As never before Southern Baptists will think about and talk about and pray for and give to God's world work.

World Missions

All missions is world missions. The work of the local church is world missions. Missions in the local area is world missions. Associational missions is world missions. State missions is world missions. Home missions is world missions. Foreign missions is world missions. If a church is to be truly world minded it must include all of these areas in its work. Through the Cooperative Program it can do just that. Southern Baptists believe in world missions. They believe men are lost without Christ and that God's command is to give the gospel to the whole world. Through the years Southern Baptists have been giving an ever larger support to world missions, and the record of giving through the Cooperative Program and special gifts in recent years makes a thrilling story. However, there is so much more to be done that our leaders believe there must be increasing emphasis on the needs and opportunities of God's program.

All Churches Asked

All of our churches are being asked to observe World Missions Week this fall. Materials have been sent to our pastors outlining suggestions for observance of that week and giving goals. Among the goals will be (1) the effort to lay upon the hearts of all the people the needs of world missions; (2) to reach the members with the Bible message of stewardship; (3) to show them the relationship between stewardship and world missions; (4) to enlist each Baptist as a tither; (5) to establish a budget in each church with a fixed percentage going to the Cooperative Program; and, (7) a greatly increased giving program in our churches through the Cooperative Program in order that the great world needs right now may be met.

Many of our churches will have a week of emphasis with special messages during the week. Others will observe it in the regular services, but all are asked to make the week a great beginning for a great year.

All Mississippi Baptists are urged to participate in the observance of World Missions Year in our churches. If we do that, 1957 will be the greatest year Mississippi Baptists and Southern Baptists have ever known.

SPIRITUAL IMPERATIVES OF MEETING OUR 1956 GOAL

By Joe T. Odle
Associate Executive
Secretary

Mississippi Baptists must reach their 1956 Cooperative Program goal of \$1,625,000.00. Mighty spiritual imperatives demand that we not fail in this high purpose which we have set for ourselves. Imperative means "obligatory, binding, compulsory." Consider these forces that call upon us to succeed.

(1) There is the imperative of God's command. Nothing is more important than to know God's will and do it, and nothing is clearer in the New Testament than that we must be missionary. Jesus said, "Go"; this is a must. The Cooperative Program is the main stream of our Southern Baptist effort to carry out this command of God. We must succeed, because as we do so we are obeying him.

(2) There is the imperative of world need. "Look upon the fields," said Jesus. As we look upon the world, lost, blind, and in the darkness of sin, we know that we must do all that we can to give the gospel to all men. Through the Cooperative Program we can do that. As we reach our goal and go beyond it we are doing more to meet the needs of a lost world.

Imperative of Work

(3) There is the imperative of dependent work. Our missionaries, our agencies, our workers, our leaders depend upon us. The Cooperative Program is the life line that supports their work. If we fail, there must be retrenchment; workers must be called home, fields must be closed. This would mean that lost people would fail to hear, and souls would perish. We cannot fail, for we must not allow one person who can hear because we give, fail to hear because we fail.

(4) There is the imperative of meeting the urge within our souls. As children of God something stirs within us as we think of giving the gospel to others.

Through great giving through the Cooperative program we can satisfy our own hearts and find joy as Christians sharing God's world program.

(5) There is the imperative of performing that which we have purposed a year ago under God's leadership. We purposed to do great things for God. As Paul said to one of the churches, "Now perform the doing of it." And as we carry out that purpose we shall find ourselves growing spiritually.

God's Blessing

(6) There is the imperative of God's blessing. As Christians we hunger for the blessing of God. As we reach our goals and go beyond them we shall enjoy His "well done."

(7) There is the imperative of laying the foundations for greater goals ahead. 1957 has been designated as World Missions Year by Southern Baptists. Surely in this year we shall want to do more than ever in giving the gospel to all man and carrying out His program for the world. As we reach our goals this year we shall be better prepared for greater goals and the greater responsibilities that the new year will bring.

These are spiritual matters. We are in a great spiritual program—God's program. Let us rally behind the Cooperative Program and during this month of October go far beyond anything that we have ever done in order that when the year ends October 30th we can look back and say "we have done God's will, we have reached our goal, we have shared in God's world program."

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Funds Given Over 1956 Goal To Go To Mission Causes

All Cooperative Program funds given over the 1956 goal of \$1,675,000 will go to mission causes — State missions will receive 50%, foreign missions 37½% and home missions 12½% of all funds received over the goal.

Cooperative Program Includes All Causes

One of the most distinctive features of the Co-operative Program is that it is a total mission program and includes all causes. The Cooperative Program includes all causes.

NOTICE

To All Church Treasurers

Attention is called to the fact that the books of the Convention Board Treasurer for the convention year 1955-56 close Wednesday, October 31 and all funds to be included in this year's budget must be in the office by noon of that day.



THE SIGN OF A WORLD MINDED BAPTIST CHURCH

Convention-Wide Stewardship Emphasis, World Missions Week, October 28 - November 4

The first big event of World Missions Year is scheduled for October 28-November 4, 1956, World Missions Week.

The program and purpose of World Missions Week is stewardship. This is the same week which for several years has been observed in the churches as Christian Stewardship Week. The hope behind this eight-day emphasis is three-fold:

(1) that the year of world missions emphasis will be properly launched; (2) that every church in the Southern Baptist Convention can thereby reach its members with the Bible message of stewardship; and (3) that every Southern Baptist may relate world missions to stewardship.

Since all churches will not find it convenient to conduct their World Missions Week on the above dates, it is suggested that in such cases the nearest convenient date be used.

The term, "World Missions Week," will be used in 1956 and 1957 to couple stewardship programs in the churches with the denomination-wide stress on missions for this period.

The goals set forth for the week's activities are: (1) to enlist each member as a tither; (2) to encourage every church to operate on a budget; (3) to encourage each congregation to adopt a fixed percentage of its total budget for world missions through the Cooperative Program, and (4) to raise its percentage for world missions through the Cooperative Program for the forthcoming year.

An eight day observance can be built around the following themes: Sunday night—world missions in our state; Monday night—world missions in our nation; Tuesday night—world missions to the ends of the earth; Wednesday night—world missions through our stewardship; Thursday night, the church and world missions; Friday night—the association and world missions; and Sunday—the individual in world missions.

The attention of pastors and planning committees is called to the July issue of the Baptist Program which contains much materials for use during World Missions Week.

A Decade Of Baptist Mission Giving In Mississippi

1956—(Thru Sept. 26th (11 months))	\$ 1,489,846.21	\$ 892,120.91	\$ 2,381,967.12
1955	1,529,328.27	901,131.23	2,430,459.55
1954	1,400,196.93	746,531.39	2,146,728.32
1953	1,201,375.98	666,530.12	1,867,906.10
1952	1,039,743.46	645,469.95	1,685,213.41
1951	869,515.80	678,278.70	1,547,794.50
1950	802,938.96	562,455.28	1,365,394.24
1949	737,374.65	719,044.30	1,456,418.95
1948	726,190.28	746,907.77	1,473,098.05
1947	682,520.66	945,146.08	1,627,666.74
	\$10,479,031.11	\$7,503,615.78	\$17,982,646.98



MEMBERS
MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CHURCHES

Dear Fellow Workers in Christ:

Reports from a good number of churches from all over our state indicate that most churches will give more this coming year through the Cooperative Program than they gave this year. One of our largest and most liberal churches will increase their gifts 33 1/3 per cent. All of this is most encouraging.

"The sign of a world-minded Baptist church" is indeed reflected by participation in Cooperative Program giving. We therefore, urge every church to put the Cooperative Program in the budget. Many churches prefer to agree upon a percentage of the total gifts of the people to be directed through the Cooperative Program. Many increase the percentage every year.

Give more in '57 than ever before.

Prayerfully yours,

Chester L. Quarles
Chester L. Quarles

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EDITORIALS

Mississippi Ranks 4th in the Nation in Ratio Of Church Members To Population

The first nation-wide survey of church membership in 20 years reveals that 61.1 percent of the white population in the USA has an active religious affiliation and that Rhode Island, Louisiana, South Carolina, and Mississippi head the list with the highest percentages of church membership in the nation.

The study, made under the auspices of the National Council of Churches, indicates that 35.5 percent of the country's white church members are Protestant, 21.9 Roman Catholic, and 3.8 percent Jews.

Roman Catholics are shown to be predominant in 12 states with Protestants being in the majority in 36 states. Catholic church members outnumber Protestants in all six of the New England states (Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut), in New York and New Jersey, in Louisiana, and in New Mexico, Arizona and California. Catholics comprise a majority of the population, however, in only one of these states—Rhode Island (59.9 percent).

Rhode Island has the highest percent of church members, followed very closely by Louisiana, South Carolina and Mississippi—all having over 80 percent. Lowest church membership among the 48 states was that in Oregon (32.2 percent), Nevada, Washington, and West Virginia were also among the low ratio states.

The survey was the first of its kind since 1936. It recorded data on 114 denominational groups. A few groups, such as the Churches of Christ, are so loosely organized that accurate statistics are almost impossible to obtain, so they were omitted in the study. Several of the negro denominations also have great difficulty securing reliable information and therefore they were excluded from both the church membership lists and the population tabulations.

In ten of the 36 states which are predominantly Protestant, members of Protestant church groups account for more than half of the population.

One of the most surprising facts to come from this most interesting and significant survey is the wide separation between Catholics and Protestants in average members per church. The Catholic national average is 1,884 while the Protestant average is 240. This would be slightly modified by the fact that Catholics count "baptized" infants, while most Protestants do not count small children in the homes of their church members.

The south, middle Atlantic, and midwest states show the highest percentages of church membership in the land. In 27 states more than 60 percent of the white population belongs to churches.

The greatest increase in church membership shown since the U. S. Census Bureau conducted the last similar survey in 1936 was that of the District of Columbia. It will be somewhat startling to many people over the country, who look upon the capitol area as the latter day seat of Satan, to learn that slightly more than 80 percent of the white persons in the District belong to churches.

For the entire nation the division of church members among major faith groups, as distinct from their relation to population, shows Protestants reported as 53 percent of the total, Roman Catholics as 40 percent, and Jewish constituents as six percent.

The self-styled sophisticated press, with its genius for the snide and the snobbish, long ago branded the deep south as "The Bible Belt." That was supposed to have been a mild form of slander indicating the rustic interests of the cotton-picking states.

As a matter of fact that supposedly libelous label, "The Bible Belt," has turned out to be one of the greatest compliments ever passed upon this section of the country.

This new survey shows the traditional territory of the Southern Baptist Convention to be the area of strength for evangelical faith. It also sets forth quite forcefully some of the reasons why Southern Baptists will not be confined by the Mason-Dixon line.

—BR—

"The Difficult We Do Immediately"

During the Pacific campaigns of World War II the Seabees had a slogan by which they lived and died: "The difficult we do immediately; the impossible takes a little longer."

A glance over the table of achievements through the Cooperative Program listed on page 5 indicates that Mississippi Baptists have already done the difficult.

The growth in giving to mission causes by the Baptist people of our state has been little short of phenomenal. With a little extra effort from each church and association there should be no difficulty in reaching this year's record budget for Cooperative Program causes of \$1,675,000.

The wise and capable leadership of Dr. Chester L. Quarles during these years has been a most important factor in this world consciousness of the good Baptist people of Mississippi. Now ably assisted by Dr. Joe Odle, progress among Mississippians in world missions ought to step up still more.

Our people have been at the vanguard of the remarkable strides made by Southern Baptists in mission giving. In 1950 Southern Baptists gave \$7,000,000 in missions. In 1945 gifts had jumped to \$22,000,000 and in 1950 to \$33,000,000.

In 1954 Southern Baptists were able to give more to missionary, educational and benevolent causes than any other evangelical body in the United States with a total of \$52,926,000. Methodists came in for a close second with \$52,480,000. Seventh Day Adventist were third with \$40,118,000.

That sounds fairly impressive until we begin to check up on how much we kept at home during that same period of time. In 1954 when we gave \$52,926,000 for all missionary causes we kept over \$252,000,000 at home for local causes. All of which means that for every dollar put in the collection plate we kept 82.6 cents and invested only 17.4 cents in world missions.

During that period of time we gave, as Southern Baptists, \$6.48 per member to all missionary enterprises. That adds up to about 12¢ per week apiece for missions.

There is still considerable room for achievement in our Baptist support of world missions. That per week per member average went up a little in 1955—from 12¢ to 13.2¢ and the convention-wide total moved on up to \$58,202,000 for the year.

The upward climb of mission gifts in Mississippi and over the entire Southern Baptist Convention has been difficult, but it has been done! And with surprising dispatch!

Adequate support on the part of our churches is not impossible. It may take a little longer, but it is not impossible.

With the budgets for 1957 now being prepared and presented to the churches, this is the time to step up in mission support through the Cooperative Program.

NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK—OCTOBER 1-7



The Baptist Forum

WHERE DOES IT BELONG?

You been noticing these beer advertisements in the national magazines that have teen-agers in the pictures? Seems to me that it's about time we began some protesting to the American Association of Advertising Agencies. In fact, some letters to the magazines themselves would be in order.

Just a short time ago they made their pitch to the American woman. At first she merely served the beer as a hospitable hostess, not as a partaker. But later she was shown guzzling it with gusto. Now the campaign is to have the wife include beer along with her food purchases.

Not satisfied with wooing the women as new customers, this parasitic industry in its effort to create new victims now goes after our youngsters.

Impressionable youngsters want to be accepted in society they want to be looked upon as mature. This effort to make them think beer nothing more than a superior carbonated beverage is diabolical.

You've heard it said that the liquor industry is the only industry that does not present the public a picture of its finished product. That's the most understandable thing about the entire industry! Who wants to see a bedraggled drunk, or an accident, or a murder as the end product? Yet, that's exactly what's too often produced. I wish some of these advertising hucksters had to do the personal counseling with these drunks that come to my office. Or what's worse, try to help their families live above the stigma. And it's not just men!

Maybe you read the AP dispatch of July 9 which told about that teen-aged riot in California caused at a rock 'n' roll dance when someone threw a beer bottle. There again is the finished product of the brewer's art.

Would that our people would read Upston Sinclair's new book, CUP OF FURY. They'd see what alcoholic consumption has done to some of the finest minds we have had.

Doc, how about you editorializing on writing to our congressmen, or someone, to control this liquor advertising racket?

Protestingly yours,
G. AVERY LEE.

—BR—

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 8—Ray Bateman, East Central BSU Director; Rev. Hugh Collins, Washington Association Missionary.

October 9—Clara Axie Dyer, faculty, William Carey College; Elizabeth Hutchins, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

October 10—Al Finch, Clarke Association Training Union Director; Mrs. George Bronson, Pike Association WMO Superintendent.

October 11—Dr. Robert B. Ireland, college physician, Mississippi College; L. L. Lackey, College Association Sunday School Superintendent.

October 12—Neta Stewart, Baptist Building; Toy Sutton, Baptist Building.

October 13—Dr. S. B. Platt, Trustee, Mississippi College;

New For Your Bookshelf

Out of His Treasure, the unfinished memoirs of Dr. W. O. Carver (Broadman, 458 pp., \$4.00). This book offers opportunity for delightful fellowship with one of the great souls among Southern Baptists. Even those who did not always agree with him will find here reason to highly respect him. I would not call it a great autobiography, but an intimate picture of one of God's good servants.

—Joe T. Odle

The Queen of the Home by William H. Evans (Exposition Press, New York) is a book pointing us back to the foundation for any worthwhile civilization. Dr. Evans believes in the old fashioned mother, that is a mother who gives God first place in her life and in her home.

—E. N. Patterson

The Story of Stewardship by George A. E. Saltrond (Baker, 169 pp., \$3.50) is the story of stewardship in the United States. Beginning with the early colonies when ministers were often paid in so many pounds of tobacco, the writer tells in an interesting manner of the growth of a missionary interest and a stewardship consciousness in the denominations. He brings us up to the time of the great stewardship programs of the denominations of today.

Early Will I Seek Thee by Eugene Price, introduction by Mrs. Billy Graham (Revell, 185 pp., \$2.50). An intimate account of the inward gropings of a Twentieth Century pilgrim.

Laymen At Work by George Stoll and edited by Albert L. Melburg (Abingdon Press, 93 pp., \$1.75). The inspiring story of Louisville, Kentucky laymen and their nationally prominent work in institutions of that city, as told by the originator of the movement.

The Politics of English Dissent by Raymond G. Cowherd (NY University Press, 242 pp., \$5.00). What happens when religious principles mix with politics? The book tells of one noteworthy instance and portrays the rich, rewarding results of religious dissenters in Victorian England.

Taught by the Master by Clarence W. Cranford (Broadman, 122 pp., \$2.00). Written by the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in the nation's capitol this sparkling book sets forth the unprecedented and unparalleled teaching techniques of Jesus. It ought to be on the desk of every Sunday School teacher in the land.

1500 Themes for Series Preaching by William Gouloze (Baker, 156 pp., \$2.50) contains a wealth of suggestions, including topics and scripture passages, for sermons in series.

Through the Valley by Chester Spurgeon Moulder (copies available from the author, 3109 Hardy Street, Hattiesburg). The story of the life and fruitful ministry of one of Mississippi's most beloved Baptist preachers, Dan Moulder, as told by his son.

Dr. S. R. Wodson, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

October 14—Herman Alford, Trustee, Clarke College; **W. P. McMullan**, Trustee, Baptist Hospital.

17th CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS

FREEDOM OF WORSHIP INSURED IN NEW RHODE ISLAND CHARTER

NEWPORT, Rhode Island, November 24, 1663 — (BP)—There was uninhibited rejoicing here and throughout Rhode Island today as news reached these shores that King Charles II has granted to the territory a new charter which insures freedom of worship.

The charter, bearing the stamp and seal of His Majesty, was delivered to civil authorities by George Baxter, a Boston sea captain, at a mass meeting here today. Captain Baxter held aloft the new charter for all to see and then solemnly read it to the assembly. Following an enthusiastic demonstration, the assembly unanimously voted the thanks of the colony to the king for his "high and inestimable; yea, incomparable grace and favor."

"No person within the colony at anytime hereafter shall be in any wise molested, punished, disquieted, or called into question for any difference of opinion in matters of religion," declares the charter. "At all times hereafter all persons may freely and fully have and engage in their own judgments and consciences in matters of religious concerns, not using this liberty to licentiousness or profaneness, nor to the civil injury or outward disturbance of others."

News of this new religious liberty is especially prized by Rhode Islanders. Many settlers here were banished from other colonies for their religious activities, and it was the hope of Roger Williams and other early settlers that Rhode Island might be a place of religious and political freedom.

The hero of today's celebration was not present, however. He is John Clarke, the Baptist preacher who went to England twelve years ago with Roger Williams, also a preacher, to secure a new charter for Rhode Island.

Williams and Clarke were awarded a charter by the Cromwell government and Williams returned home. Clarke remained in England and it was well for the future of Rhode Island that he did. When King Charles II came to the throne, the charter had to have his approval.

Clarke petitioned the king for greater freedom in Rhode Island. "Your petitioners have it much in their hearts," declared Clarke, "to hold forth a lively experiment, that a flourishing civil state may stand; yea, and best be maintained with a full liberty in religious concerns."

At the same time John Winthrop, Jr., governor of Connecticut, had won preliminary approval of a charter which, as Clarke later pointed out, "swallowed up half of the territory of Rhode Island." The persuasive Baptist diplomat not only won a decision over the influential Winthrop in favor of Rhode Island, but secured the amazingly generous new charter as well.

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New Service Is Offered Through Book Stores

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—The Baptist Sunday School Board, through its 50 book stores, is offering a new service to Baptist churches and individuals.

Hymndex, a recent publication of the Sunday School Board, gives an alphabetical listing of all hymns and songs in the sixteen music publications released by Broadman and Convention presses. This is the first such listing ever produced by the Board.

Code letters after each music title indicate the one or more books in which the song appears. **Hymndex** is available free upon request of any Baptist book store.

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Pages From The Past

J. L. Boyd Sr.

50 YEARS AGO

Rev. N. L. Clarke of Decatur, for whom Clarke Memorial College was later named, died on September 11th "being nearly 95 years of age," and having been actively engaged in the ministry for 58 years. Rev. W. B. Sansing preached the funeral "in the presence of 1,000 people."

Rev. J. E. Willis assisted Pastor G. S. Jenkins at Pine Bluff Church, Copiah County, at the close of which seven were baptized, and one was restored and one joined by letter. A recent graduate of Mississippi College, Jenkins departs for the Southern Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

The Bunker Hill Church, Marion County, closed a successful revival meeting with 37 accessions, 33 of them for baptism. Pastor T. J. Moore was assisted by Rev. A. J. Rogers. Following the meeting a Woman's Missionary Society and a B. Y. P. U. with "over thirty members" were organized.

Rev. W. S. Allen tells of the meeting of days with the New Hope Church, Webster County, resulting in 36 additions to the church.

40 YEARS AGO

Student Ira D. Evanson of the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and president of the Volunteer Band writes of the desire of the members of the Band to be used of the pastors and churches in and around Fort Worth in "creating a greater missionary spirit among their people."

Pastor S. G. Pope of Belzoni Baptist Church reports nine for baptism as a result of a meeting of days in which he was assisted by Rev. Harry L. Martin and the Clarke College quartet. He says also "The afternoon business men's meetings down town were a unique and helpful feature of the meeting."

25 YEARS AGO

Pastor Roy Brigrance of the Eudora Church, DeSoto County, had Rev. J. M. Metts of Water Valley to his aid in their protracted meeting which resulted in eleven additions, eight of them by baptism.

A Modern Parable

A certain Chronic Absentee, in the course of his drifting away from the Sunday School, fell among bad companions who robbed him of his interest in spiritual things, persuaded him that the Lord's day should be devoted to pleasure, and left him wounded in spirit and heart.

And by chance there came to the Absentee's door a certain Perfunctory Visitor, caring only to boost the attendance of his class. So when the visitor heard the rude words, "Please let me alone," he passed by, declaring he would never visit that place again.

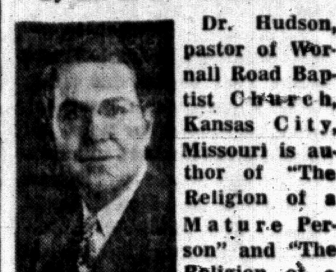
And likewise there came to the Absentee's door a Duty-driven Visitor, coming only to report an assignment carried out. But when he got no answer to the ringing of the doorbell, he wrote "not at home" across the report form and excused himself from further responsibility.

But a certain Concerned Christian with compassion awakening in his heart came to the door of the absentee. In spite of a cold reception he returned again and again. He kept on visiting, even when the Absentee said, "Please remove my name from your list and let me alone."

The Concerned Christian poured in love and graciousness and held his own warm heart of love against the cold, indifferent heart of the one he was seeking. Aloud, he said, "I'll come by for you on Sunday morning and take you in my car." To himself he added, "And whatsoever more it shall take to win you, that will I do, for Jesus' sake."

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

TELEVISION SERMONS

QUESTION: For about a year I have come home after Sunday School to listen to a marvelous sermon over our television. My own pastor isn't so gifted a preacher and I simply do not get as satisfying a message in several sermons as just one from the television sermon.

Do you think I should feel obligated to attend my own church and miss the real message I need?

ANSWER: It all depends on how mature you are. Some very immature people have to receive a certain kind of sermon delivered in a certain manner in order to survive. Your decision will have to be made on your knees and according to your best judgment.

I certainly do not believe that there is any excuse for your leaving after Sunday School, except for sudden illness or some other providential factor. How do you think your pastor and other leaders of your own church feel? Remember the Golden Rule!

No, if I could not stand to stay for church services in my own church, I would not go to Sunday School. I honestly believe that going home after Sunday School will do more harm than not attending Sunday School at all.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
Called and Accepted:
L. R. Whiddon, Avondale, Chattanooga, Tenn. from Lafayette, Ga.

J. A. Nolan, Connally Drive, Eastpoint, Ga. from Avondale Estates, Ga.

John B. Stephenson, Lewisboro, N. C. from Mt. Elam, Roseboro, N. C.

F. Clyde Aikman, Immanuel, Rogers, Ark. from First, Guthrie, Okla.

James Maxwell, Good Will Center, Oklahoma, Okla. from First, Helena, Okla.

Emory A. Cook, New Castle, Wyoming, from Lenap, Okla.

Kenneth B. Wilson, Eastern Heights, Jeffersonville, Ind. from New Clover, Hardinburg, Ky.

Seebe Hays, Jenkins, St. Martinville, La.

James W. Taylor, Highland, Shreveport, La. from First, Grand Prairie, Texas.

James E. McKee, Central, Italy, Texas from Dallas.

W. M. Shamburger, First, Tyler, Texas from Corsicana, Texas.

Milton Martin, School Creek, Lampasas, Texas from Cedar Creek, Texas.

Roy V. Mayfield, Jr., First, Conroe, Texas from Goldthwaite, Texas.

Louis B. Hardeman, North East, Henrietta, Texas from Mt. Western University.

Ronald Griffin, South Deep Red, Tillman Association, Okla. from Port Aransas, Texas.

Tony Moore, Grandview, Texas.

Paul Robinson, Albany Church, Texas.

Warren Lamon, Tussy, Texas.

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Baptist Student Union

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FAREWELL

It is not easy to leave relatives, friends and the Student Work in Mississippi after ten and a half years, but feeling that the Lord wants us to change locations, we are happy in going to South Carolina. We shall sorely miss you here in the Magnolia State, and we shall be faithful in continuing to pray for you that you will increasingly honor Christ in all that you are and do.

Our work in South Carolina will be essentially the same as it has been here. We do not look upon the change as a promotion. We are going solely because we believe the Lord wants us to go to do a task there for Him.

How very grateful we are for the consistent Christian spirit and the Christ-honoring service of so many with whom we have worked! Every courtesy, every kindness, every bit of helpfulness and encouragement and every bit of service for the Lord is greatly appreciated.

These years here have not been easy ones but they have been spiritually profitable ones. It has taken us all of this time to make what we consider to

be just a start on what the Student Work in Mississippi should be. It is our hope and prayer and belief that the best days by far for the Baptist Student Union in Mississippi should be just ahead.

More than a decade ago we were asked to assume this Work without making any effort to get the job. We are leaving, we trust, the same way as regards our successor by making no recommendation or suggestion or "unrecommendation" of anyone for the place. We believe this is right. But we have been, are, and shall continue to be praying that God's man for State BSU Secretary of Mississippi will be secured at the soonest possible moment, for the program, which is tremendous, must go on in the greatest possible way until the Lord, Himself, comes.

On your way to Ridgecrest, or whenever you are anywhere near Columbia, S. C., drop by to see us at the Baptist House, 1301 Hampton Street, and before that, write us. Eva Lois, Janet, Davy and Charlie join together in praying God's best for all of you for all the days ahead.

Sunday School Department

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MISS ALEXINE GIBSON, Associate
MISS PAT HINES, Office Secretary

ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRAM

This Fall has been one of the very best ever for the large number of excellent associational Sunday school training programs, both central and simultaneous.

The first week in September was a double-barrel affair, with a central school in Prentiss association, where Jimmie Cunningham is the very efficient and aggressive superintendent; and a simultaneous program in Union association, with Rev. W. B. Boatner, the capable Missionary.

Both these programs were excellent and the spirit of cooperation very fine.

PEARL RIVER

September 10-13 was our week in Pearl River association. Excellent preparation had been made by superintendent Rev. Gordon Halbert; associate superintendent of training, Rev. D. T. Evans; Rev. W. R. Gifford, the new superintendent, and all the pastors and superintendents.

We had the largest enrollment ever in a program of this kind, and also the greatest number completing the books for awards. It was really a great week.

SIMPSON

Simpson association was next, September 17-20, with another great week of training.

Rev. R. A. Langley, together with other associational leaders, pastors and superintendents, had also done good preparatory work. There is a desire among people in places of leadership to train for greater efficiency that they may give a better account of stewardship. We are grateful to all who help in this good work.

MIDWAY MOVES ON

Midway church, Lauderdale association, has had an unusually good year in their training program. With a resident church membership of 225, they have earned this year a total of more than 400 awards. That is great. Rev. Charles D. Agnew is pastor.

AWARDS FOR AUGUST

No. Awards for August 2,367
No. Awards to date 30,813
No. Churches to date 784
No. Associations to date 75

HIGH FIVE CHURCHES

Calvary, Jackson 181
Parkway, Jackson 168
Daniel Mem., Jackson 137
Emmanuel, Jackson 99
Columbia, First 71

HIGH FIVE ASSOCIATIONS

Hinds 940
Lauderdale 167
Gulf Coast 137
Attala 98
Marion 71

MORE STANDARDS

Schools: Lucedale, Rev. Van H. Hardin, Pastor, and Mr. Tom S. Doty, Superintendent; Pascagoula, First, Mr. J. H. Simpson, Superintendent; Brookhaven, Fair River, Rev. Ralph Bray, Pastor, and Mr. Willard Nations, Superintendent.

Adult: Jackson, Parkway, King's Daughters, Mrs. W. W. Moffet, Teacher; Steadfast, Mr. A. H. Thornton, Teacher; LLL, Mrs. J. L. Wooten, Teacher; Holly Springs, First, Adult Department Number One, Mr. C. L. Mitchell, Superintendent, with Mrs. Leslie Sigman, Mr. C. B. Kerr, and Mrs. R. H. Lilly, Teachers; and, Louisville, First, Gleaners, Mrs. Jack R. Whitehead, Teacher.

Intermediate: Quitman, First Department, Mrs. Austin Smith, Superintendent, with Mr. T. J.

Clinton Evangelist



Vernon O. Elmore

Dr. Vernon Elmore, pastor of Temple, San Antonio, Texas, will be the evangelist for the revival meeting which will be held October 7-14 at the Clinton Church.

Services will be held each Sunday morning and evening and each night of the week at 7:30 p. m. in the church auditorium. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:45, Dr. Elmore will speak at the Mississippi college chapel service. Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:20 he will address students of Clinton high school in their assembly.

Harry Hall, director of music for the church, will be in charge of music.

Dr. Elmore was graduated from William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

—BR—

GOSS CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

The Goss Church will be dedicated Sunday, October 7, and Open House will be held from 2:00 until 4:00 p. m.

The church extends an invitation to the public to attend the dedication services, as well as the Open House.

Rev. J. D. Walker is the pastor.

—BR—

Split Personality

The two most prominent buildings in a small Kentucky city belong to a church and to a whiskey distillery. You cannot fail to see both of them as you drive through on the main highway. They are only a few blocks apart. Not often do you see so contrasted these symbols of good and evil. You wonder if the community has a split personality, just as so many people do today.

While clinging to the church and professing faith in its head, Jesus Christ, they hang on desperately to the affairs of the world which are opposed to the church and the teachings of Christ. To these individuals, the Apostle Paul would ask, as he did of the Corinthians many years ago: "What fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" (2 Cor. 6:14)—Theo Sommerkamp.

—BR—

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Would you like for the Southern Baptist Convention to locate its proposed sixth seminary in your city?

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W. Douglas Higgins, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., is committee chairman.

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Junior: Collins, Salem, Department, Mrs. Clifton Keys, Superintendent with Mr. L. D. Valentine, Mrs. Doris Kervin, and Mrs. Clifton Barber, Teachers; Meridian, First, Dept. No. 1, Mrs. George H. Causey, Superintendent; Meridian, Poplar Springs, Department, Mrs. Bertha Snowden, Superintendent; Brookhaven, First, Department, No. 1, Mrs. D. F. Heatson, Superintendent; Marshall, Holly Springs, First, Dept. No. 1, Mrs. George Parker, Superintendent, with Mr. J. H. Powell, Mrs. Douglas Abel and Mrs. G. R.

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NEW DIRECTOR?

By now all Nominating Committees in the churches have appointed or selected the new Training Union Director for their church for the coming church year. When the director is elected by the church, another step needs to be taken—that of informing the state Training Union Department, in case there

is a change in the name of the director. This is necessary because the name of the director is placed on our mailing list and will be the recipient of all the materials mailed from our office for the coming year. Make it a point to mail in the names of the director and the new officers. Mail the information on the Training Union

Quarterly Report which is mailed to each church at the end of each quarter.

CALENDAR

A Training Union Calendar of Activities listing important state Training Union dates will be available in the very near future and will be sent in our next mailing. Correlate these Training Union dates with your Southern Baptist Convention Calendar of Activities and your Associational Calendar of Activities.

"M" NIGHT

What plans have you made for "M" Night. It is already late if no plans have been made, but not too late to begin some

plans now. Some associations have already designated the place of meeting for M Night and have already secured the main speaker.

Helps are available from the Baptist Book Store. You may purchase two postal cards (Form M 11 and Form M 10) and a label tag which is also a registration card (Ask for "M" Night tag).

—BR—

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—BR—

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Oak Forest Baptists To Enter Building

Sunday, October 7, just 62 days after ground breaking ceremonies, the Baptists of Oak Forest will enter their new building on Oak Forest Drive.

The building is valued at about \$50,000 and includes a heating plant. The first unit is constructed of brick veneer and is built to house 250 in Sunday School and Training Union. Three other units will be built subsequently as the church grows.

A goal of 250 has been set for Sunday School and 200 for Training Union for this Sunday.

The church, not yet constituted, has 117 members, has 214 enrolled in Sunday School and 118 in Training Union. The group began May 6 worshipping under two tents, giving special emphasis to the nursery and young adults.

The group is sponsored by five Baptist churches (Alta Woods, Daniel Memorial, First, Hill Crest, McDowell Road) and the Hinds County Baptist Association. The church has been served during the formative period by Dr. Lee Gallman as interim pastor. Dr. W. R. Cooper has supplied in the pastor's absence.

Southwest JC Has New Student Dir.



Martha Ann Hale, secretary in the State Baptist Student Union Department for the past year, will become on October 15 the new Student Director at Southwest Junior College, Summit.

A native of Terry, Miss Hale attended Hinds Junior College and Mississippi College, receiving her B. A. degree from the latter in May, 1955.

Richton To Hold Missions Revival

Speakers for the "Missions Revival" to be held at Richton Church October 7 will be Rev. W. L. Cooper, missionary to Argentina, Sunday; Rev. Frank DiMaggio, missionary to the Italians, Monday; Miss Pearl Caldwell, missionary to China, Tuesday; Mrs. Rose G. Pool, missionary to Cuba, Wednesday; Rev. Fontenot, missionary to the French, Thursday; Rev. Trevino, missionary to the Spanish, Friday.

Each evening during the week study course classes on mission work in Japan, will be held at 7:30 and the missionaries will speak at 8:15.

Rev. W. M. Averett is the pastor.

Ludlow Homecoming To Be October 14

The Ludlow Church, Ludlow, will observe its annual Homecoming Sunday, October 14, according to Rev. R. L. Lambright, pastor.

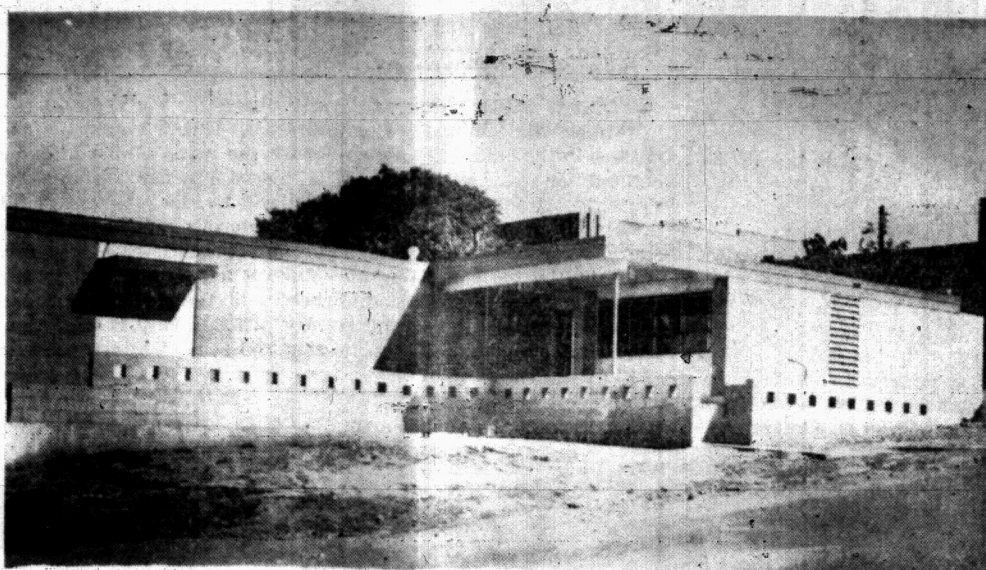
Regular Sunday School and church services will be conducted in the morning, followed by dinner on the grounds, after which the annual Homecoming Services will be held. The guest minister for the afternoon program will be announced later.

Members of the respective committees for the day are: Mrs. Leo Lee, General Chairman; Mrs. L. J. Johnson, Associate General Chairman; Food and Arrangements, Mrs. Randolph Black, Chairman, and associates, Mrs. Clinton Trest, Mrs. H. C. Stone, and Mr. Randolph Black; Hospitality, Herd Stone; Program, Curtis Davis, Chairman; Publicity, Mrs. Herd Stone, Chairman; Distinguished Guests, Chairman, Leo Lee; Decorations and Beautifications, Mrs. Maggie B. Finger; Orderliness of Facilities, Mrs. Luther Renfrow, Chairman.

Church members often are weakened by too much week end.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—MISS ALMARINE BROWN, Jackson
Executive Secretary—MISS EDWINA ROBINSON
Young People's Secretary—MISS NELL TAYLOR



The Home Mission Board has completed the building of the Indian Center at Philadelphia, Miss. The Annie-Armstrong offering had a designation of \$15,000 for the building and from other funds the Home Mission Board added \$5,000. The contract (with a few additions) was \$23,500 and Mississippi Baptist Convention Board voted to give the \$3,500 needed. The furnishings were made possible by Mississippi WMU—through WMU Special Day Offerings, Camps at Garaywa (WMS and Young People) and interested individuals.

The Indian Center will have open house on October 18th from 2:30 P. M. until 5:00 P. M. and 7:00 P. M. until 9:00 P. M.

The committee that made plans for the open house thought it would be a splendid idea to have a "shower for the Indian Center on the day of open house." These items will be most useful:

Bath towels
Bath cloths
Toilet soap

Washing powder
(Duz, Cheer, etc.)
Cup towels
Paper Napkins
Canned goods

Coffee (in tin cans)
Canned milk
Sugar

We would suggest each group bring an "assortment of items" rather than all of one kind. Any one who cannot attend and would like to send some of the items suggested (or cash) could send it to:

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

District I, October 26, Jackson, Robinson St. Baptist church.

District II, October 30, Greenville, First Baptist church.

District III, October 25, Oxford, First Baptist church.

District IV, Oct. 24, Booneville, First Baptist church.

District V, Oct. 23, West Point, First Baptist church.

District VI, Oct. 31, Harperville.

District VII, Nov. 1, Picayune, First Baptist church.

District VIII, Nov. 2, Brookhaven, First Baptist church.

REPORTS AND RECORD BOOKS will be sent to each WMU for the WMS and each youth organization just as soon as we receive them from Birmingham. The list of officers for

the new year will serve as your "order blank" for these books. We will send a statement at the time the books are sent—the WMS book will be 50c and the young people's organizations will be 15c each.

AIDS FOR ADVANCEMENT

A large wall chart with the statement of Aims for Advancement can be purchased from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala. for 50c (including postage). Individual membership folders can be purchased 20c per dozen or \$140 per hundred.

BWC HOUSE PARTY

The annual house party for the Business Woman's Circle Federation of Mississippi had as the largest attendance since this annual meeting was begun

in 1948. There was a total registration of 183, with 174 business women present. The registration was well distributed over the state, with 7 of the districts represented and 20 associations had members present. There were 44 circles in 38 churches represented. The theme WORLD AWARENESS was used and Misses Monda Marlar, Southern Rhodesia and Irene Chambers, Field representative of the Home Mission Board helped us become aware of many peoples of the world and their needs. Mrs. Tommy Hale of Pontotoc presided over the meeting, with Mrs. Herschel George serving as secretary. Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, was elected as the nominee for state chairman of the Federation. She will be elected by the WMU Convention in March.

Candler's Chapel Ordains New Pastor

Recently Candler's Chapel Church, Prentiss County ordained to the gospel ministry, Rev. Charles E. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elton L. Smith. The church has called Charles as their pastor.

Dr. A. O. Collins, pastor of First Church, Booneville, delivered the ordination sermon; Rev. James Moore, pastor of the Gaston Church, brought the charge to the candidate; Rev. Grady Guntharp, pastor of the East Booneville Church, brought the charge to the church; Rev.

Dr. Eugene I. Skelton, the pastor, will do the preaching for the revival at First Church, Pascagoula, Oct. 21-23.

Recently in general assembly President Lawrence T. Lowrey presented the Honor-Plaque to the Euzellians of Blue Mountain College. The president of the group, Sally Branch, Brookhaven, received the award for the Euzellians. The plaque is awarded annually to the extra-curricular group whose members earn the highest average number of quality points.

Lena Mae Jolly, Myrtle, a sophomore at Blue Mountain College, was presented the mathematics Achievement Award, which she won during her freshman year. Prof. Malcolm E. Gillis, head of the mathematics department, made the presentation. This award is made annually to the student making the highest grade in mathematics during her freshman year. It consists of a volume of mathematics tables.

Dr. Chester E. Swor, Baptist youth leader of Jackson, was the chapel speaker at M S C W in Columbus on Tuesday of this week. His subject was "Looking Forward to the College Year."

Rev. Don Rollins was ordain-

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

September 30, 1956

Aberdeen, First	392	138
Amory, First	374	97
Anguilla	84	60
Baldwin, First	275	110
Batesville, First	506	210
Bethlehem (Jones)	196	127
Booneville, First	315	101
Brookhaven, Central	127	85
Brookhaven, First	946	261
Main	808	184
Southway	94	36
Halbert Heights	33	41
Bruce, First	303	109
Canton, Center Ter.	314	153
Center Hill (Desoto)	43	
Charleston, First	395	148
Clarksdale	533	146
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	563	190
Cleveland, Immanuel	223	149
Collins	212	112
Columbia, First	819	301
Main	770	
Columbia Trg. Sch.	49	
Columbus, First	1181	411
Main	1025	350
Fairview	156	61
Columbus, Calvary	227	108
Concord (Choctaw)	60	61
Crystal Sprgs, First	803	279
Flowood	93	99
Forest	502	95
Furrs (Pontotoc)	79	51
Glenfield (Union Co.)	110	78
Greenworth, North	376	113
Grenada, Emmanuel	257	123
Hattiesburg:		
First	640	257
Main Street	1048	488
Temple	551	147
38th Avenue	222	134
Houston, First	389	183
Ita Bena, First	224	84
Jackson:		
Alta Woods	711	284
Broadmoor	667	250
Calvary	1664	526
Main	1622	502
Mission	42	24
Colonial Heights	90	
Crestwood	746	394
Daniel Mem.	845	309
First	1508	479
Highland	149	75
Hillcrest	358	175
Magnolia Park	47	67
Northside	825	270
Oak Forest	169	102
Parkway	1226	592
Southside	229	181
Van Winkle	701	367
West	390	150
Kosciusko, First	844	247
Main	811	
Maple Mission	33	
Laurel, First	566	170
Laurel, Highland	250	146
Laurel, Wildwood	259	98
Long Beach, First	177	48
Longview (Oktober)	86	75
Lucedale	352	130

Macedonia (Lincoln)	230	107
Meridian:		
First	933	234
Fifteenth Ave.	639	253
South Side	620	260
Highland	614	235
State Blvd.	408	103
Forty-First Ave.	396	120
Elgin Avenue	216	93
Oak Grove	126	55
Eastview	192	96
Emmanuel	52	33
Poplar Sprgs Dr.	512	202
Grandview Chapel	22	21
Key Field	131	68
Morton, First	355	186
Main	310	147
Mission	45	39
Mt. Pleasant (Lincoln)	113	80
Murphy Crk (Winston)	179	75
Neshoba (Neshoba)	86	56
New Albany, First	728	258
Main	658	220
Northside Mission	70	38
New Sight (Lincoln)	140	79
Newton, First	529	252
Pascagoula, First	906	153
Main	811	108
McArthur Chapel	52	25
Orange Grove Chap.	43	20
Petal-Harvey	398	209
Main	361	174
Harvey Mission	37	35
Petal, New Richton Rr.	27	23
Pleasant Ridge (Holmes)	73	61
Pocahontas	46	
Purvis, First	244	68
Raworth (Scott)	33	61
Richland (Rankin)	321	133
Ripley, First	391	210
Ruleville	322	148
Ruth	64	67
Soso, First	197	102
Starkville, First	817	360
Stonewall	219	113
Tupelo, Harrisburg	582	258
Union, First	387	146
Wayside (Yalobusha)	56	61
West Point, Calvary	263	140
Winston (Winston)	62	53
September 23, 1956		
Bethlehem (Jones)	182	101
Calhoun City, First	334	138
Raworth (Scott)	63	60
Union, First	343	118

Receives S. S. Award



John T. Whitley, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Whitley, Route 4, Jackson, is shown above wearing his Sunday School attendance pin. He received his ninth-year bar September 30 at Paul Truett Memorial Church, Rankin county, for perfect attendance for nine successive years.

His mother, General Secretary for the Sunday School, received an eight-year bar; Macon Phillips, Sunday School Superintendent, received a three-year bar; Gloria Ann Brister received a three-year bar; Nancy Brister received a one-year pin. Nancy and Gloria Ann are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brister.

WCTU Asks Curbs On Liquor Traffic

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) — The 82nd annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union unanimously adopted a resolution here calling for curbs on the promotion and sale of alcoholic beverages. It also asked schools to place special emphasis on the prevention of alcoholism.

The resolution warned school authorities, however, against teaching "moderation in drinking" as a substitute for scientific instruction on the effects of alcohol.

J. D. Thompson led the prayer of ordination.

Charles is a student at Union University in Jackson, Tenn.

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The author said: "Dr. Jones' work has been a most exciting experiment in racial good will, and it is my purpose to show how colored and white folks can get along even in a section of Mississippi."

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Colonial Heights, Jackson, Organized



The first in a series of new churches in Jackson and Hinds County was constituted September 9 under the direction of the men shown above: Mr. Thomas Chaney, Superintendent of Missions for Hinds Association; Rev. Fred Tarpley, moderator of Hinds Association and pastor of Ridgecrest, one of the sponsoring churches; Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor of Broadmoor Church, another of the sponsoring churches; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, First Church; Rev. Henry Crouch, pastor of the third sponsoring church, Northside. Rev. Sam Mason, standing at the right end, is the pastor of the young church which held its first services in January of this year.

Mrs. B. B. Bridgen Receives High Honor

Mrs. B. B. Bridgen, head bookkeeper at the Baptist Building in Jackson, and president of the Jackson Soroptimist Club, will be in Birmingham Oct. 12-14 when she will give the response to the welcome address at the Southern Regional Conference of the club.

The club is a service organization composed of executive and professional women.

While Soroptimist International is the largest service club for women in the world the Jackson club is the state's first and only organization.

Center Hill (Desoto) Schedules Revival

The Center Hill Church in Desoto Association will hold revival services October 7-14.

The pastor, Rev. H. W. Harris, will bring both messages on Sunday, October 7. Beginning Monday night, October 8, Rev. Hubert Higdon of Celina, Tennessee, will preach each night through October 14 at 7:30 p. m. Mr. Thomas and son of Memphis will lead the music.

Dinner will be served on the ground on Sunday, October 14.

Brotherhood Department

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Oakdale, Rankin To Mark Homecoming

Oakdale church in Rankin county will observe Homecoming this coming Sunday, Oct. 7, according to Rev. H. H. Bethune, pastor, who will preach at the morning hour.

Circuit Judge W. E. McIntyre, Brandon, will speak at the afternoon service, following dinner served at the church.

Eastham To Preach On Church Of The Air

Dr. Fred Eastham, pastor of First Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo., will preach on the "Columbia Church of the Air," Sunday, October 14, at 10:30 p. m., Eastern Daylight Time.

The Southern Baptist Convention was invited through its agency, the Radio-Television Commission, to produce the weekly CBS religious radio program on this date and on November 25. The Baptist Hour Choir of Fort Worth under the direction of R. Paul Green, will provide music for both programs.

Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

For October 7.

THE CREATION STORY.

Bible Text: Genesis 1:1-2:3.

Introduction. Today as at no other time since the beginning of the century the subject of this lesson is being most eagerly, fervently, and vitally discussed. This discussion is rapidly producing an entire new literature on the subject of origins—origin of the earth, origin of life, origin of man.

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I. SIGNIFICANCE OF OUR BOOK OF GENESIS

The word GENESIS means beginning or origin. "In the beginning God created the heavens." There we have the beginning of astronomy! "And the earth": There we have the beginning of the science of geology. "God said 'Let there be light' and there was light": Beginning of the science of optics. "God said 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens'" Gen. (Gen. 1:20). There is the genesis of the science of biology. God said, "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness." (Gen. 1:26). See here the origin of the science of anthropology.

II. BELIEF IN A PERSONAL CREATOR VERSUS ALL OTHER THEORIES

In the very first sentence in the Bible that book sets itself in open antagonism to each of the whole man-made array of opinions founded upon guesses

taught in the ancient schools of philosophy or incorporated with ancient schools of religion.

"The doctrine is a denial of the Greek doctrine of the eternity of matter, of the Epicurean doctrine of the fortuitous concourse of atoms, as that out of which the Kosmos arose, of the stoic doctrine of an all-compelling fate, of the Pantheistic doctrine of the identity of God with the universe, of the Polytheistic doctrine of a god and a bad principle dividing the formation and the rule of the world between them."

This opening sentence affirms the existence of a personal God, as a personal First Cause, Himself uncaused, existing from all eternity, without beginning of days or end of life. The God of Genesis is assumed to exist and is affirmed to have called the matter composing creation into existence and to have shaped this matter, this material, into the universe as man has found it. Our God is the designer, the planner, the architect, of all shape and form, and the maker of every creation according to the form which He designed.

III. THE DAYS OF CREATION

There are very sincere and earnest people who believe that the days were periods of twenty-four hours, as we commonly speak of days now. Great old Dr. B. H. Carroll of a past generation stubbornly, or courageously, if you like that better, held to this view. I ask the privilege of holding the contrary view in peace. During day one and the second day, there was no sun for the earth to be forever turning toward.

I think the days of creation were periods of time of such length as God found it accordant with His will to employ, and that these periods may have been of very great length. I can not think of God as being in a hurry such as I get into with a half-hour in which to finish this brief article and get it in the mail before lunch. God has all the time there is and eternity future as well. He took and takes all the time He needs to make His creation beautiful.

There are some in every congregation who merely receive the sermon and place it on file. —Oliver Wendell Holmes.

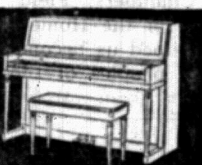
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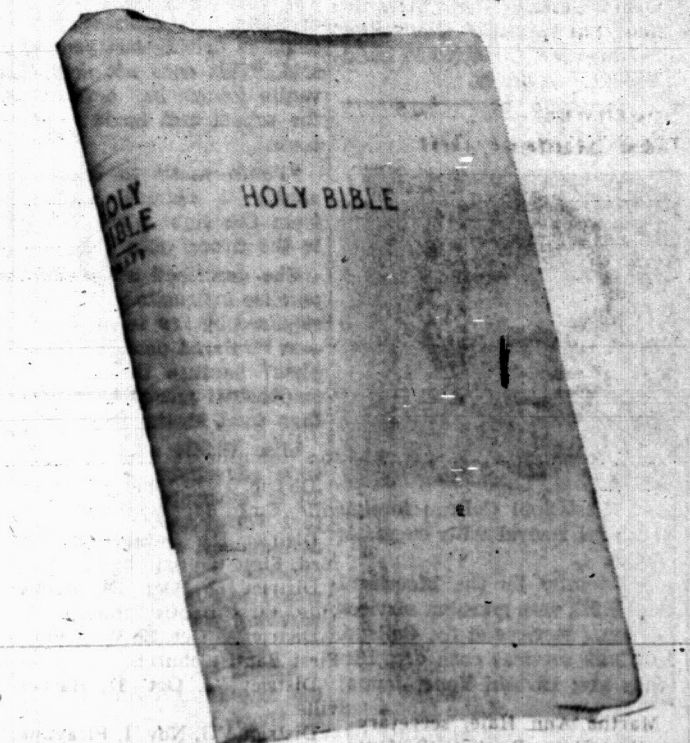
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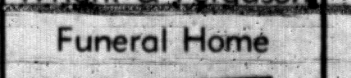
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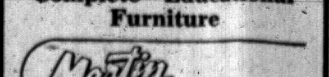
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Leavell Receives Tribute



The faculty of New Orleans Seminary paid tribute to Dr. Roland Q. Leavell for his decade of service as Seminary president.

In a surprise ceremony, held before nearly 800 students and guests at the close of regular chapel services, Dr. C. Penrose St. Amant, professor of church history and faculty secretary, read a letter signed by the faculty members who expressed appreciation for "ten years of distinguished leadership."

Dr. J. Wash Watts, dean of students and senior member of the faculty, presented Dr. Leavell with a gift certificate for a new suit on behalf of the fac-

ulty. In the presentation Dr. Watts said, "We salute you, not as president of this institution, but we salute you as a dear, dear friend."

Dr. Leavell assumed his duties as president of the Seminary on July 1, 1946.

Since that time the enrollment has grown from 378 to an expected 1000 for the 1956-57 session, and the Seminary has moved from its historic but limited quarters in the Garden District to the present 75-acre campus on Gentilly Blvd. where the Southern Baptist Convention has invested \$5,000,000 in buildings and property.

MC Foreign Students Lead Moorhead Revival



Pictured above are a group of Mississippi College foreign students who are helping in a youth-led revival with emphasis on Missions in Moorhead, Sep. 30-Oct. 4.

The revival is being sponsored jointly by the Moorhead Church and Moorhead Junior College BSU, with morning services being held at the church and the evening services at the College. One of the students in charge of both services each day. Pictured above, from left to right, they are: Hiroshi Yano, Japan; Sam Matalaka, Jordan; Rev. Charles Ray, pastor of the Moorhead Church; Ronald Takemori, Hawaii; and Gladys Saavedra, Chile.

Blessed is the man who loves his church enough to let others know it. —One cannot be loyal to Christ without being loyal to His Church.

Better Alcohol Education Behalf Of Youth Asked

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) — Increased drinking among teenagers is largely due to a lack of positive alcohol education in the school and home, a leader of the national Woman's Christian Temperance Union's youth organization charged here.

Ethel Riddle of Evanston, Ill., general secretary of the Youth Temperance Council, spoke at the WCTU's 82nd annual convention.

She urged school teachers and parents to help reduce drinking and delinquency among young people by teaching them about the effects of alcoholic beverages "in a more realistic way." The "inherent leanings" of youth toward temperance, Miss Riddle said, are often negated by failure of the home and school to combat community influences.

"More than 19,400 boys and girls under 20 years of age—including 1,225 of 16 or less—were arrested for drunkenness or drunken driving last year," she said. "This does not depict juvenile failure but a failure of the school and home in many cases."

"Youth wants to know and, unless it obtains knowledge from the right place, it turns to the wrong ones."

She described scientific temperance instruction in schools—required by law in many states—as "watered down and incomplete" because the texts used emphasize moderation rather than total abstinence.

Miss Riddle said beer and wine advertising on radio and TV is "a harmful influence" and that "drink-associated juvenile delinquency, which is more than one-half of all delinquency, would be eliminated if such advertising was outlawed."

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: H. H. Huey, Jackson; Mrs. O. D. Hemphill; Mrs. J. E. Farmer; R. A. West, Vicksburg; Mrs. E. W. Hickman, Jackson; G. Breland, Beaumont.

Tunica Church Calls New Pastor



Rev. Maurice Clayton has accepted the pastorate of the Tunica Church, and has moved on the field. He is married to Mary Rice of Black Mountain, North Carolina, a graduate of Blue Mountain College.

Mr. Clayton is a graduate of Mississippi College, and Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He has held pastorates in Texas and Mississippi. He comes to Tunica from the Sherman Church where he has been pastor for three years.

Rev. J. I. Jacobs has served as interim pastor.

Magnolia Park Licenses Preacher



Magnolia Park Church, Jackson, on Sunday night, Sept. 30, licensed Henry B. Campbell, Sr. to the gospel ministry. Mr. Campbell will enter Clarke College in January, 1957.

Rev. John W. Kitchens is the pastor.

Your Money Did It

By Barbara Brock Missionary

The diagnosis seemed like a death sentence to Lindaava. Her heart was heavy as she returned to her home that rainy afternoon to think and plan and pray. How hard it was to think; how hard to pray. She had tried to live the Christian life in spite of opposition from her husband, in-laws, and neighbors. Their jeers and ridicule had been hard to bear. Now she was to be at their mercy more than ever.

There was no mistake about the diagnosis. The laboratory tests were positive for tuberculosis, and the X-rays showed large spots on both lungs. Her weight had dropped to 84 pounds, and the doctor had been pessimistic as he described a course of treatment which would take years to complete.

There was no money to pay the doctor and to buy the medicines. Her husband said frankly that he did not care whether she lived or died; he would not pay for the medical care. She felt helpless.

Lindaava was not afraid of death; she had known Christ as her personal Saviour for more than 10 years. She knew that she had eternal life through faith in him. Death would be a welcome release from an unhappy marriage. But her children—how could she leave her children? What would happen to them?

Her husband would quickly remarry, of that she was sure. Would the new wife love the children? Would she be patient with two year old Carlos and three year old Mary? Would she allow the children to continue attending Sunday school, or would she force them to go to mass? Would she provide for them physically, or would she neglect them that they might become sick and die? Would she abuse them for their childish wrongs?

Oh! How could she leave her children to the uncertainty of a non-Christian stepmother? How she longed for the privilege of rearing her children.

Mind in Turmoil Sleep would not come that night. Her mind was in turmoil. Her heart was pounding with fear; she was feverish, restless.

Nelson Greet Chapel Speaker



Dr. D. M. Nelson, President of Mississippi College, left, greets Rev. C. B. Hamlet, pastor of First Church, Winona. Mr. Hamlet, president of the Board of Trustees of the College, delivered the initial chapel message of the 1956-57 school year.

She could not pray. The words seemed empty and futile. Then clearly to her mind came the thought: "Read Isaiah 41:10." She turned on the light and reached for her Bible to read, "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

She lost all fear. The pounding of her heart stopped; her mouth was no longer dry. She knew that God had heard the agonizing of her spirit, of her unspoken prayer. She never doubted from that moment the outcome of her illness. She would recover; she would be permitted to rear her children and to serve the Lord.

Eight months later, Lindaava stood happily in front of her church and testified to the goodness of God's healing power in her life. She held in her hand the report from the doctor which stated that the X-rays and laboratory examinations showed a complete cure. She thanked the church members who had brought food that she might be properly nourished during this illness. She sent her thanks to the Mission of the money that helped to provide the doctors and medicines. She gave God the glory for restoring her health and for providing helping hands during her time of need. Then, with tears streaming down her face, she sang, "Be not dismayed, whatever befall, God will take care of you."

Lindaava was one of 18 helped with the medical fund during the past year.

(The Rio Grande do Norte Clinic, where Lindaava got medical attention, serve the impoverished metropolis area of Natal, Brazil. The clinic will receive \$600 from the 1956 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the same amount received from the 1955 offering.)

There is also a clinic in connection with the Baptist school. It serves the 214 students and professors.

Pray with us that this medical work will be the means of leading people to a saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

—BR— We can endure the long and rugged road if it leads to the place of blessing.

Glendale, H'burg Calls New Pastor



Rev. Jack L. Bilbo The Glendale Church near Hattiesburg recently called Rev. Jack L. Bilbo of First Church, Essex, Maryland as pastor. He assumed his duties there in September.

Mr. Bilbo was born and reared in Hattiesburg where he attended public schools before going into the armed forces for five years. While in uniform

he was ordained to the ministry by the First Church, Marianna, Florida. He holds the B. A. degree from Mississippi College and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Before going to Maryland Mr. Bilbo was pastor of the Hurricane Creek Church in Marion County. His work in Maryland began as a mission that had no building, but with their forty members they rented the building of a Seventh Day Adventist Church for several months before they purchased their own property. Although located in a strong Catholic community they built the first unit of a building that will eventually take care of six hundred; the membership now stands at 300. The new church has a budget of around \$23,000.00.

In addition to his duties as pastor Mr. Bilbo has taught in the extension courses offered by the University of Richmond in that district and served on the Clergy Staff of the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Mrs. Bilbo is the former Mary Bennett of Hattiesburg. They have two children, Jack Jr., 11 and Ruth Marie, 7.

Public Affairs Committee In Election Officers

WASHINGTON — (BP) — The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, meeting here, has re-elected E. B. Willingham, of New York City, as its chairman.

Willingham is general secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

The committee also re-elected Vice-Chairman Walter Pope Binns, a Southern Baptist who is president of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.

J. H. Jackson, president of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., Chicago, was elected to fill the new position of second vice-chairman.

A. C. Miller, executive secretary of Southern Baptist Life Commission, Nashville, remains as recording secretary. W. Hubert Porter, New York City, fills the new post of assistant recording secretary. Porter is assistant general secretary, American Baptist Convention.

Two Washington laymen continue to hold positions as treasurer and assistant treasurer. They are E. H. DeGroot, Jr., and Ralph Cole.

Committee members, who represent six Baptist bodies in the United States, discussed ways in which the agency could increase its work in proclaiming the witness of the Baptist people.

Future policy will be decided by the agency's executive committee, based on sentiment expressed during discussions at the annual meeting.

Seven American archaeologists headed by James B. Pritchard, professor, Church Divinity School of the Pacific (Episcopal), Berkeley, California, found the site of the Old Testament city of Gibeon, this summer and excavated its water system and parts of its fortifications. Gibeon is mentioned forty three times in the Bible.

—BR— Religion is the response of the soul to the call of God.

Great Problems Facing Churches

EL PASO, Tex. (BP)—Despite their numerical growth and their new buildings, America's religious groups are failing to cope with the "tremendous" everyday problems their members face.

This was the declaration of J. M. Price, former Southern Baptist educator, at a two-state Sunday school teachers' and workers' meeting here.

Price, who was director of school of religious education at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, said Southern Baptists also are falling short at that point.

As evidence to support his statement, Price cited the wide difference in money contributed for Christian missions and that spent for movies, cosmetics, pleasure, and alcohol.

The world's greatest moral hope, Price added, lies in the three million Sunday school teachers and workers.

—BR—

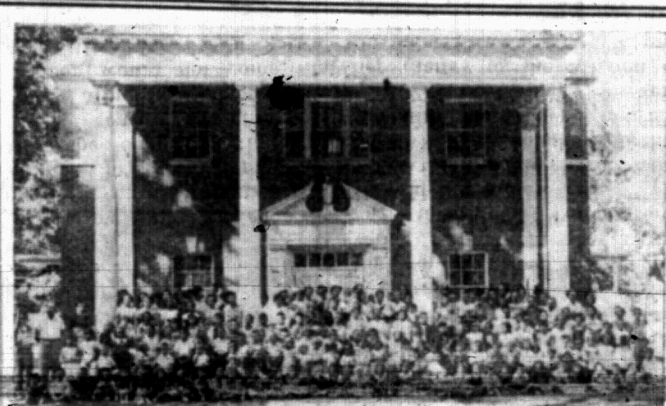
Lawton To Carson



Rev. Frank Lawton, pastor of Strong River and Jupiter churches in Simpson County, has accepted the pastorate at Carson, succeeding Rev. Monte Davis, and has already moved on the field.

The Rev. Mr. Lawton formerly served as interim pastor at Rocky Creek church in George County and is a graduate of Mississippi College.

Mrs. Lawton is the former Engle Lois Eubanks from Lucedale. They have two sons.



Shown above is the North Greenwood Vacation Bible School, held August 20-24, Mrs. Harold Hemmer, Principal.

The enrollment was 243 with an average attendance of 222. The offering was \$32.00, which went to the Co-Operative Program.

Rev. W. G. Watson is pastor.

Mrs. Lowrey Presents 3 Gifts To Blue Mountain

Blue Mountain College is the recipient of three gifts from Mrs. Lawrence T. Lowrey. One is a large tea table for the use of the College faculty on Wednesdays for the occasion of its weekly coffees. Another gift is a complete suite of lobby furniture for Whitfield residence hall. This suite is white lacquer design. The third gift is a set of solid brass plant containers in which Mrs. Lowrey has had beautiful winter flowers planted, and these will be left permanently in the faculty drawing room.

Mrs. Lowrey has presented Blue Mountain College with many gifts, which add to the beauty of its campus. In a recent election of the Senior Class of the College, she was chosen to serve as Sponsor for the 1956-57 session. Mrs. Lowrey is the wife of Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, president of Blue Mountain College.

On October 12, twenty-one pastors and nine singers will leave by plane to conduct a simultaneous evangelism crusade in Alaska. The crusade will be under the direction of C. Y. Dossey, associate secretary of the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board. Traveling expenses will be paid by the home churches.

Weathersby Church Calls New Pastor



Rev. J. E. Murray Weathersby Church in Simpson County has called as its pastor Rev. J. E. Murray, formerly pastor of Oak Grove Church in Simpson County.

While Mr. Murray was pastor at Oak Grove the church was redecorated and three new Sunday School rooms and a baptistry were built.

The new pastor received his B. A. and M. A. degrees from Mississippi College. He was formerly pastor in Rankin and Amite Counties, as well as Simpson.

—BR— When your religion gets into the past tense, it becomes pretense.

Off The Record

Mother (fondly watching her two year-old) — He's been walking like that for almost a year. Bored Visitor — Amazing; can't you make him sit down? — Biblical Recorder.

A minister was visiting the home of one of his more influential church members. The men were conversing seriously when the 4-year-old daughter came in and tried to whisper something to her father. She was sent away three times, only to keep returning. The father finally said, "Whatever you have to say, say it out loud and then run along." "Well," the little girl said, "Mommy says for pity sakes don't ask the minister to stay for dinner."

—Cappers Weekly

A kindergarten friend came home with my daughter after school. "Call your mother, so she will know where you are," my wife suggested to the little girl. "You'll have to call," the child replied. "I just don't know what channel we're on."

—Ralph Reed, NEA Journal

Little Tommy had spent his first day at school. "What happened at school today, Tommy?" his mother asked when he returned home. "Oh, nothin'," said Tommy. "A woman wanted to know how to spell 'cat,' an' I told'er." —Ex.

The girl elevator operator sped the car up to the tenth floor and when she stopped and let out the passengers, she intoned, "This is your floor, son." Came the irritated reply, "Don't call me son, you're not my mother."

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